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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. In response to applicant's amendment filed, 08 April 2008, of application filed, with the above serial number, on 23 February 2004 in which claims 1, 3, 5, 9-11, 13-18, 20, and 21 have been amended. Claims 1-21 are pending in the application.

2. The reply filed on 08 April 2008 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant has not complied with the IDS objections, as well as not responded to the 112 Rejection of Claim 21.

A proper IDS must contain a form 1449 for the Examiner to initial as considered. The IDS filed 04 May 2006 explicitly asks the Examiner to initial the attached form 1449 (see p. 3), however, there is no attached 1449. The IDS filed 23 August 2006 asks the Examiner to initial the statement (see p. 3), however, this is not proper IDS form.

It is not clear if the two second predetermined values of Claim 21 are equal (especially as similar claims have the feedback-type post being of the 'first' predetermined value).

3. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to GREGORY G. TODD whose telephone number is (571)272-4011. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 9:00am-6:00pm w/ first Fridays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ario Etienne can be reached on (571)272-4001. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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